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## KUROPATKIN IS RETREATING FURTHER NORTH

Surrenders Tie Pass To The Advancing Japanese Soldiers.

### DESPERATE FIGHTING.

Russians Evidently Intend To Fall Back 200 Miles To Harbin.

Gen. Kuropatkin evidently left Tie Pass yesterday and reports to St. Petersburg that his army is falling back in good condition. The next town of importance in the line of the Russian retreat is Kaiyaun, some twenty miles from Tie Pass, but its strategic value is not known.

Tie Pass is now in the hands of the Japanese and the broken Russian army continues its retreat to the north. No details of the action have been received and the ultimate fate of the remnant of Kuropatkin's force is still problematical. Another successful flanking movement on the part of the Japanese would probably seal its fate, but it may be that the Japanese are not in condition to accomplish such a feat after their exhausting efforts of the past two weeks.

Th Russians have abandoned their advanced positions on the Fan river, where the desperate attack of the Japanese Tuesday, March 14, was repulsed, and have fallen back upon the defenses of Tie Pass. Previous to the retirement the supplies of wood, etc., collected there were set on fire.

A desperate, bloody battle was waged Wednesday north of Tie Pass.

### KUROPATKIN'S FLIGHT

Leads Him 300 Miles Further Into the Frozen North.

Tokio, March 17, 9 a. m.—The Japanese captured many prisoners at Tie Pass, and the Russians destroyed vast stores.

Gen. Kuropatkin and the remnants of the army, which was defeated by the Japanese on the Shakhe and Hun Rivers and again around Mukden and Tie Pass, are now in the mountains a few miles north of the Southern entrance to the Pass trying to shake off their pursuers, who apparently are not going to repeat the mistakes of Liao Yang and allow the Russian army to escape.

Kuropatkin has been reinforced by the garrisons at Tie Ling and other Northern towns and a few new troops, who were on their way from Russia when the battle of Mukden began. But even with these there seems little hope for him. There is some thirty or forty miles of hilly country extending from Tie Pass to Fenghuatsien, which might enable him to hold off the enemy for a time, but, once out of the hills, he has before him nearly 300 miles of flat, open country and innumerable rivers and streams to cross.

### The Japanese Objective.

The Japanese evidently are doing their utmost to accomplish envelopment of the Russian army, which all but succeeded at Mukden, but Gen. Kuropatkin, with the railway for a line of retreat, probably will be able to keep ahead of his pursuers. A constant succession of delaying rear guard encounters may be expected.

### Vehicle Torn Up.

While S. E. Everett was in the Acme Mills yesterday just before noon, his horse which had been left standing at the door, ran off with the buggy and utterly demolished the vehicle at the railroad crossing. The horse was not injured.

## MACK HERN NOT GUILTY SAYS JURY.

Verdict Brought In At Eleven O'clock Yesterday Morning.

### KILLED HIS FATHER.

Self-Defense Was the Plea Made By The Prisoner.

The jury in the case of Mack Hern, which took the case Wednesday, arrived at a decision yesterday at 11 o'clock and brought in the following verdict:

We, the jury, find the defendant, Mack Hern, not guilty as charged in the indictment and acquit him.

O. N. Boyd, One of the jury.  
Young Hern on July 4, 1904, entered the place of business of his father, J. J. Hern, and shot him to death as he stood behind the bar in W. R. Long's saloon.

There were no eye witnesses except the young man's brother, Hayden Hern. There had been much discord in the Hern family and the elder Hern had been divorced from the mother of the boys and had married again. The sole witness evidently sympathized with his brother and a weak case was made out by the Commonwealth. The general opinion prevailed that Hern would be given a light sentence, but after a two days' delay the jury decided to acquit. Hern was in the employ of the I. C. Railroad at Paducah at the time the killing occurred.

### COW MUST GO.

Progressive Citizens Determined to Urge the Council to Act.

About 25 or 30 leading citizens who are interested in having the gardens and lawns of the city protected from cattle allowed to range at large, met Thursday night at Dr. Blakey's office and appointed a committee in each ward to wait upon the several councilmen and present a petition signed by several hundred citizens and to ascertain from the councilmen if they would be willing to be governed by the will of a majority of their constituents expressed by ward petitions.

The following committees were named from those present and from others who have signed the petitions:  
1st Ward—R. H. Holland, R. M. Anderson, Jas. D. Hill.  
2nd Ward—C. W. Duckert, J. D. Morris, John Peiland.  
3rd Ward—R. H. DeTreville, C. S. Jarrett, F. J. Brownell.  
4th Ward—F. W. Dabney, W. A. Long, F. K. Yost.  
5th Ward—Dr. J. W. Lyte, Ned Turner, Chas. H. Jousp.  
6th Ward—Dr. T. W. Blakey, W. S. Davidson, O. H. Anderson.  
7th Ward—J. H. Eggleston, George W. Young, W. D. Ennis.

The committees are to perform the duty assigned them and report at an adjourned meeting next Monday night. The agitation started will most likely continue until this relic of provincialism is wiped out in the city. Unless settled now it is likely to prove a troublesome problem in the ensuing city election next fall.

### When Teddy Comes.

President Roosevelt's address on April 4, when he will visit Louisville, will be delivered from the courthouse steps. The President will leave his train at Third avenue and A street and will be escorted in Third avenue. At Fourth avenue and Broadway, where the President will be met by an escort of Confederate veterans, a halt will be made while he delivers a short address to the veterans.

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### SEWELL GOES UP.

Will be Superintendent of Missouri Pacific.

Oscar M. Sewell, formerly Chief Clerk to General Manager Clark, of the Tennessee Central, has resigned his position as trainmaster of the Yazoo division of the Illinois Central to become Superintendent of the White River division of the Missouri Pacific Railway.

Mr. Sewell came to the Tennessee Central from the Illinois Central Road last year. He was trainmaster on the Illinois Central and came to the Tennessee Central with General Manager Clark to take a like position. Later he was made Assistant Superintendent and Chief Clerk to the General Manager, but resigned in December to go back to the Illinois Central. His last promotion is one of importance and he takes one of the most important divisions of the Gould road.

### RESTORED TO LIFE.

Transfusion of Salt Solution Restores Dead Woman.

St. Louis, March 16.—After having been pronounced dead by two physicians and a nurse Mrs. Charles A. Sweet, wife of a provision merchant, was restored by the transfusion of a salt solution into her veins, and is now believed to be recovering her health. Five weeks ago Mrs. Sweet, suffering from gastritis, went to Hot Springs, Ark., in the hope of recovery. On the night of Feb. 13 she seemed to be dying and eventually her heart ceased beating and respiration stopped. She was pronounced dead. A third physician, however, decided to try transfusion of a salt solution, and there followed signs of animation. The operation was continued, and Mrs. Sweet revived. She has returned to her home in St. Louis and is now apparently recovering her health.

Capt. O'Connell, of Russellville, spent Thursday in the city.

### BARN BURNED.

Loss of \$8,000 Sustained by Mr. R. F. Comer.

Mr. W. H. Bickers has received news from his father-in-law, Mr. R. F. Comer, of Monroe county, that he returned home Wednesday to find that his feed and stock barn had been burned Tuesday night. The loss included 40 head of live stock and his entire year's supply of feed stuffs and all farming machinery and implements for a 500 acre farm. Loss \$8,000, no insurance.

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### The Weather.

Washington, D. C., March 17.—For Kentucky: Partly cloudy to night and Saturday. Very little change in temperature.

A. G. Hawkins, of Sebree, Ky., was robbed of a purse containing \$6.100 by a pickpocket in the Union Station at St. Louis. The empty wallet was found outside the station grating the next morning.

Marconi, the discoverer of wireless telegraphy, and Miss Beatrice O'Brien, a descendant of King Brian Boru, of Ireland, were married in London Thursday.

The mine workers and mine operators are still discussing wage scale and conditions, and will be in session in Louisville until today. An amicable agreement is predicted by leaders on both sides.

The German Government has been informed that the Russian Emperor has put aside all peace suggestions, and will carry on the war to a finish. Grand Duke Nicholas is to succeed Gen. Kuropatkin as soon as he can get to the front with Gen. Sukhomlioff as his chief of staff.

Gov. Frazier, of Tennessee, won his nomination for Senator by the decisive vote of 64 to 36 and his opponents did not have their names presented. The new Governor will be Hon. John I. Cox, of Bristol, Speaker of the Senate. Until elected Governor in 1902, the new Senator had never held public office.

The Telephone Committee of the Nashville City Council visited Louisville this week in a special car to get information bearing on telephone conditions in that city, which has the advantage of competition. The city council will vote on the question of a franchise for the Home Company next Thursday night.

Judge Gordon, of Louisville, was asked to discharge a jury in a damage case because two of the jurors were seen to enter a barroom with one of the attorneys in the case during the period of adjournment. The court decided that the offense, which was admitted by the lawyer, did not constitute sufficient grounds for discharging the jury. The attorney who took the drink secured a verdict of \$1,000.

Togo's fleet has been reported in the Straits of Malacca, ready to head off the Russian squadron. So far as known, Rojestvensky's squadron is still off the coast of Madagascar, but as the ice in the harbor of Vladivostok is probably beginning to give way, the Russian Admiral must soon make a decision whether to dash for Vladivostok or return to Russia.

Gov. Adams, of Colorado, was deprived of his office Thursday by a sleight-of-hand trick. Former Governor Peabody was given the office for one day, after pledging himself to resign in favor of a man with no claim whatever to the office. Ten Republicans refused to be parties to the conspiracy. Scores of messages were received by Adams during the day urging his retention of the office by force but he ignored the advice.

For the purpose of covering the alleged defect in the election, Gov. J. C. W. Beckham has appointed Biscoe Hindman Colonel commanding the First Regiment, Kentucky State Guards, until such time as an election shall be held to fill the office. This will follow in the discretion of the department at Frankfort. Judge J. P. Gregory was also appointed by Gov. Beckham to the office he already held, that of Lieutenant Colonel. Another order was issued by Gov. Beckham, naming Captain Marmaduke Bowden as Major of the Third battalion of the First regiment.

## KENNEDY NEWS.

Batch of Items From "Way Down" in South Christian.

Kennedy, Ky., March 16.—Miss Maytie Barker gave a dinner last Sunday in honor of her guests, Miss Corrie and Miss Rosa Lee Green, two charming young ladies from Hopkinsville. It was a most excellent dinner. It consisted of five courses. All present expressed themselves as having had a nice time. We all hope that Miss Maytie may give another such dinner soon. The writer assures her that is his wish. Miss Rosa returned to Hopkinsville Monday, leaving some sad hearts. Come again Miss Rosa. Miss Corrie will remain as Miss Maytie's guest this week. Mrs. Ben Williams is on the sick list this week. She attended the dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey left for Memphis last Saturday, after spending several days with Dr. S. J. Rollow. Misses Eben and Emma Hyman, two pretty young ladies from Clarksville, are visiting Mrs. E. Humphries. Miss Fannie Huffman, of Ringgold, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ira Barbee.

Tom Barker has commenced the erection of his store house at McKenzie and he hopes to have it completed in a few weeks. Tom will resume his trips up the Bradshaw road but will stop about one mile this side of Hopkinsville, instead of eight miles, at least until the 1st of May. I understand that Mr. James Ferguson, living not very far from here, in Tennessee, sold 85 hens for which he realized \$32.74. How is that for hens?

Mr. James Rollow, Dr. Rollow's father, is visiting his son. He is 82 years old but very hale and stout for a man of his age.

Mr. E. R. Tandy has purchased a span of very fine horses. I think he has a notion of changing his manner of living. Look out girls! Who will be the lucky one? I know several that would like to be the lucky one. The wheat fields are looking green and beautiful since we have had several warm sunny days. The farmers are very busy now. Most of them are through stripping their tobacco, and they are hauling it off to be prized.

R. M. Barker came down from Hopkinsville Saturday and spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. Thomas Elliott, of Lafayette, is visiting his son, W. D. Elliott, near here.

Mr. Elvin Butler, Rollow Barbee's substitute on Rural Route No. 2, is carrying the mail this week.

I overheard a conversation over the telephone between a certain gentleman and lady the other day, but I do not intend to tell what it was.

ANON.

## SUCH A SUCCESS

That Many Roads are Adopting the System.

Nearly all the large railroad systems of the country have established a new department which promises to bring revelations if not revolutions among their employees all over the systems. The new department is one established to induce employees of every department to buy and own their own homes and to invest a certain portion of their income in real estate.

The plan that has proven most successful is for a number of employees to combine and buy several blocks of property at one purchase and each take his portion after the deal is closed. To make this possible the roads purchase the property and sell it to the employees at the price paid for it, and if necessary, the roads wait on the employees for the money without interest, taking a small amount, from \$5 to \$10 per month from their salaries.

It is said that the L. & N. road is contemplating the establishment of a like department. It has been the experience of all railroads that the employees who own their own homes are settled make the most valuable employees.

## WOODMEN OF WORLD.

Biennial Session Held At Nashville This Week.

The biennial session of Head Camp H. Kentucky and Tennessee Woodmen of the World, came to a close in Nashville Wednesday night. Among the officers elected was Mr. J. D. Higgins, of this city, he being one of the five managers chosen. Paducah was selected as the next place of meeting in 1907.

## HOW TO SELL YOUR TOBACCO TO ADVANTAGE.

This Question Will be Discussed at Farmers Meeting Monday.

## EVERYBODY COME OUT.

Prizing Houses are Already Handling Many Big Crops.

The members of the Tobacco Growers' Association are all interested in the progress of the plans for marketing the association tobacco. A meeting has been called by Chairman W. W. Radford for next Monday for the purpose of keeping the farmers advised and to explain in detail the method of selling. Prices are still going up as the trust finds it harder to meet its contract demands. When the tobacco is prized, classified and stored in the various centers, the question of selling it will be an easy one.

Col. Ewing will be present if he can arrange to come.

There are now six prizing houses in the county. W. H. Jessup & Co., T. E. Elgin & Co. and Abernethy & Co. are located in Hopkinsville and there will be one house each at Pembroke, Newstead and Howell.

All farmers are requested to come to town Monday and attend the meeting.

## The Man That Hangs Back.

We are laboring hard  
As farmers to-day,  
To obtain for our products  
Reasonable pay;  
And the man that hangs back  
Is a blot on our sky,  
And acts very much  
Like a pig in a sty.

He eats what is given  
And clamors for more.  
And ne'er thinks of asking  
Whence cometh the store.  
No matter whose labor  
Thus gets him his feed,  
His only concern  
Is supply for his greed.

A shame on such farmers,  
Arouse ye and say,  
"I'll help you, my brothers,  
I'm coming to-day.  
And where duty calls  
I'll say Here am I  
And no longer be like  
An old hog in a sty."

—Up-to-Date.

## Following the Calf.

One day through the primal wood,  
A calf walked home, as good calves should.

But made a trail all bent askew—  
A crooked trail, as all calves do.  
And men two centuries and a half  
Trod in the footsteps of the calf.

A moral lesson this must teach  
Were I ordained and called to preach,  
For men are prone to go it blind  
Along the calf path of the mind,  
And work away from sun to sun,  
And no what other men have done.  
They follow in the beaten track,  
And out and in, and forth and back,  
And still this devious course pursue,  
And keep the path 'cause others do.

—Adapted.

## Notice.

All persons indebted to the estate of W. T. Bonte, dec'd., are hereby notified to call and settle said indebtedness at once. Persons holding claims against said estate will file such claims properly proven on or before April 1st. All claims not so filed will be barred.

Planters Bank & Trust Co.,  
Adms. W. T. Bonte, dec'd.

## Plymouth Rock Eggs.

Barred Rocks, Ringlet strain, Tanner cross, White Rocks, Fishel strain. First class in every respect. Eggs \$1 for 15. Phone Home 1222, Cumb. 94, or inquire at Kentuckian office. Few cockerels at \$1 each.

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White Wyandotte Eggs  
For sale at \$1.00 per 15. Inquire at furniture store. O. KEACH, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

## VOGEL'S MINSTRELS

Guaranteed to Satisfy the Most Exacting Amusement Seekers.

On next Tuesday night, March 21, at the Opera House an unusually good minstrel performance can be looked for on that date. Joe W. Vogel's Big City Minstrels, with a party of fifty people will be here.

Vogel is known as the greatest manager, while Fred Russell is conceded to be one of the most popular comedians in the minstrel world, and there is little doubt that the organization is as claimed, the richest and costliest in existence.

The first part will be set in a new creation, entitled, The Electric Velour Palace, a magnificent affair; beautifully staged and appropriately costumed. The overture was arranged by Prof. John J. Nolan, of Boston, Mass., and is teeming with charming music, exquisite vocalists and graceful action. The vocalists include the Famous alto, Mr. Harry Leighton, the most wonderful Aeolian voiced child soprano, Master Newton See, from the Grace Church Choir, New York City, the Louisiana Glee Club and a host of others. Gov. Bowen, the Kentucky Whirlwind, John Cartmell, Comedian and coon shouter, Marvelous "Marselles," "Mysterious 'Gertzer," Count DeRober, the Parisian Comedy Trick Cyclist, and others will positively appear in the all feature olio.

## GEYSER "SKYROCKET."

Born on Washington's Natal Day and Spouts Three Times a Week.

St. Paul, March 16.—Reports received at Northern Pacific headquarters from officials of the Yellowstone Park Association indicate that the geyser in Norris basin a permanent additional attraction. It has been named "The Skyrocket" because of its peculiar appearance when it spouts, and its coming has, it is believed, proven the death of the "Constant" geyser, located in the same basin.

The "Skyrocket" plays at regular intervals three times a week and spouts boiling water to an immense height. An old fact, in connection with it is that it made its first appearance on Washington's birthday, when it spouted to a height of 200 feet. The noise accompanying the discharge was terrific and attracted the attention of the cavalry troop in the park, who witnessed its birth. The new geyser is one of the most beautiful in Yellowstone Park.

## Chat off the Bat.

Dummy Hughes, of the Calro, team, K. I. T., has been engaged by the Kentucky School for the Deaf, at Danville, to coach its baseball team this spring.

Bayside, L. I., an aristocratic North Shore town is in the throes of a church controversy. The subject of the dispute is the national sport, baseball and early in the season as it is there is little else talked of in that community at present. The Rev. Father Edward A. Halron, assistant rector of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic church, has not only demonstrated that he is not opposed to healthy exercise on Sunday, but has given his sanction and encouragement to the indulgence in Sunday games by consenting to become manager for the Bayside Baseball Association.

At a meeting of the hall players the young clergyman was unanimously elected to the office of manager of the team and will at once assume his new role.

## Killed by a Train.

Central City, March 16.—Three men were riding on a velocipede near Luzerne, when their machine was struck by passenger train No. 102, going north, on the Illinois Central railroad. Two of them escaped unhurt, but the third, J. A. Tyson, was killed and his body mangled. Tyson leaves a wife and four children.

## Died in Colorado.

Paducah, Ky., March 15.—Everett Butler of Livingston County, present Representative in the Legislature and the Democratic nominee for County Attorney, died yesterday in Denver, Colo., of consumption.

# Binder BUSINESS OF 1905.



For the year 1905 we have the agencies for the following binders in the territory named:

We have the Osborne agency for Christian, Trigg and Todd counties.

We have the Plano, Champion and Milwaukee for Christian county.

We have the Deering and McCormick for Pembroke and vicinity.

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## Chicken Chat.



THE LORDLY LANGSHAN.

Considered By Many the Best of all Chickens.

Every known variety of fowls, from the most diminutive bantam to the largest Light Brahma or Mammoth Bronze Turkey that we see exhibited at our poultry shows, has its admirers. Every one has a place to fill, and every one is being hired, not for pleasure alone, but for the profit there is in it. Good specimens of any or all varieties command big prices. A few years ago I saw a Buff Cochon cockerel at the St. Louis fair, that cost the owner \$50, and he did not get a place at a Missouri state show. A leading poultry judge offered \$25 for a Plymouth Rock cock that was then three years old, and the owner laughed at the offer. At another St. Louis show I saw a Missouri Partridge Cochon breeder sell a cockerel for \$25, and it was not one of his best. \$200 would not have bought a pen of Indian Game chickens that were exhibited. \$30 was refused for the first prize Langshan cockerel, and the same amount would not buy the first prize Brown Leghorn, nor the Buff Rock cockerel, and while they all bring good prices they cannot all be classed as all purpose fowls. Some of them are good, but others are better. I have had experience with some of them, and after carefully studying their good qualities, I am convinced that the Langshan is certainly one of, if not the very best of all. They are the best we have to-day, and why? They are one of the hardest breeds known, are rapid growers, large size, full breasted, are good but not persistent setters, splendid mothers, they bear confinement well, are not high flyers, (a four-foot fence will turn them), they are good foragers, on the farm where they can have free range they will hustle for themselves as well as any of the American class, while the other Asiatics are rather lazy, some more so than others, it is certainly not so with the Langshan. As a table fowl they have no equal, their flesh is white, juicy, tender, very fine grain and possesses a delicious flavor. I regard a full grown Langshan cockerel, properly cooked, as good as any turkey that was ever served. Their bodies are plump, their skin is pure white. The only objection ever offered to the Black Langshan is that they are black, that they are hard to pick, but I venture this assertion that no one who has ever tried to pick a pure Langshan will make this objection. The Langshan is a rather loose feathered fowl and therefore easily picked. They show few pin feathers, except in molting season, when the new feathers are coming in, and then any other fowl will show pin feathers. I care not what the breed or color may be. A great many people have an idea that a good table fowl must have yellow legs or yellow skin. This, however, is not true. The very best table fowls in this, as well as in the old country, have white skin. In France the best table fowls have white skin. This is required, hence they breed the Houdan and La Fleche. The old English Dorking, another white skinned fowl, is one of the favorites as a table fowl, both in England and France. When I speak of white skin, I do not mean a dark nor a bluish white, but a pure clear white, and this the Langshan possesses above all others. As an egg producer they take front rank, as there is no variety that will lay more eggs during the whole year, except, perhaps, the Leghorn or Minorca, and during winter when eggs are scarce and command the best prices, none will lay as many. This is a good point alone goes far to help make one of the best all round fowls. A short time ago I received a letter from a lady in Kansas in which she said: "I have been raising chickens

for some time, but always managed to keep a few large, greenish black hens for my winter eggs. They always begin laying not later than December first, while the others never begin until spring, and I have just found out that they are of the Langshan breed, and I am going to raise them exclusively hereafter." This is only one case out of many of their adoption after a practical test of their many good qualities. In talking to a farmer who has taken up the Langshan, he said: "They are the chickens for the farmer. We are getting more eggs this winter than ever before, and when we take these big fellows to market their weight counts for something." And he is right; they are large, they lay lots of eggs, they are fine for table use, and when it comes to exhibition, there never was a grander show fowl, nor one that attracts more attention than the proud and lordly Langshan. What other variety can show more good points?—American Fancier.

### AFTER BACON.

#### Two Meat Houses Broken Open This Week.

Thieves have been getting in their work again this week, two robberies being reported.

The first was Mrs. Emily W. Elliott's smokehouse, on the Clarksville pike. Considerable bacon was secured by this haul.

The second was the meat house of Mr. G. R. Cayce, who resides about four miles South of the city, which was robbed of eight pieces of bacon Tuesday night. The thief prised open the door of the smokehouse with a hatchet which had been stolen from Mr. E. E. Cayce's premises. Mr. W. H. Nixon, of this city, carried his bloodhounds to the scene of the robbery Wednesday morning and the dogs followed a trail to a negro cabin not far distant. Mr. Cayce came to town Thursday and secured a search warrant.

Dick Brackett, col, was arrested on suspicion and is in jail.

#### First Negro Voter.

David Strother, the negro who cast the first vote by any member of his race in the United States, is dead at El Paso, Ill.

## SOUTHERN INTERESTS THREATENED

Says The New Orleans Picayune By Railway Legislation.

### NEW YORK WANTS IT.

Railway Freight Rates, and The Supreme Interests of the South.

The movement against the railroads, which excited popular interest to such a degree that it is raging like a fever throughout the country, grew out of the fact that the railroads, contrary to the interstate commerce law, were discriminating in favor of some customers and against others.

Where freight rates were fixed the railroads evaded the law by giving rebates to all the shippers whom it was desired to favor, and exacting full prices from the others. In this way shippers, who were supposed to be paying the same rates over the same railroads, were placed on exceedingly unequal terms, because some of them received secret rebates which were denied to others.

This state of things has created general dissatisfaction in every community where it was practiced, and the result has been a multitudinous demand that Congress shall give absolute and arbitrary powers to the Interstate Commerce Commission to make and fix rates for all classes of freight on all railroads.

It is one of the peculiarities of the American people when they are suffering because of the nonenforcement of a particular law, to clamor for the enactment of others. In every such case the evils complained of are not the result of the lack of laws, but because those which exist were not enforced. That is the trouble with the present situation which has

brought about such an uprising against the railroads. There are already laws enough to secure the punishment of those railroads which give unlawful rebates, but the trouble is they are not enforced.

The recent decision by the United States Supreme Court against the Beef Trust is a case in point. A number of slaughterers and packers of cattle and hogs in several Western cities had banded together or combined to control the price of fresh meats in the markets. With their immense associated capital they were able to buy live stock to the greatest advantage, and to secure special favors in shipping their products to every part of the country, so that weaker concerns could not compete with them.

It was proposed to proceed against them in the courts under the charge that they had combined to restrain and obstruct trade for their own advantage, but it was claimed that there were in existence no laws by which such proceedings could be made successful. It was then that additional and more stringent legislation by Congress was required; but when action was taken against the Beef Combination, or Trust, the existing laws were found to be sufficient, as the highest court in the land has declared.

The question then arises: Are the existing laws sufficient to cure the evil of secret railway rebates, and if so, what is the need of the legislation which is being proposed by President Roosevelt, and so loudly demanded by the people? This question has been discussed briefly, but with considerable earnestness, by the New York Evening Post in a recent issue, and its views are worth attention. Said the Post:

"The railroads are not managed justly as between man and man, or locality and locality. They give this shipper a secret rebate, and refuse it to another. Differentials are established affecting this city or that port, not on grounds of public interest which can be publicly stated, but for concealed and often suspicious motives. Here, are, indeed, great abuses to be corrected, if possible, but is it necessary, or desirable, to make the long jump which the President does, and demand for a Federal Commission the 'power over rates'? He urges it with the object of 'putting the big shipper and the little shipper on an equal footing';

to do away with rebates however disguised, and to abolish discriminations of all kinds. But it is at least a fair question whether the government has not already in its hands the needed weapons, and whether vigorous use of them should not be made before appealing for others. Certain it is that if existing statutes could be stringently enforced, and applied with as much severity as the Supreme Court has just shown in the case of the Beef Trust, the injustices of which President Roosevelt properly complains would be cured.

"He asks for an instrument to strike down secret rebates. But they are out-lawed by the act of Feb. 4, 1887. Section 2 of the interstate commerce act describes them in detail and declares them all unlawful. Appropriate penalties are prescribed further on. The President is incensed at the 'preferences' and 'discriminations' which the railroads make in favor of persons or localities; they are all declared illegal in the act of 1887. And these called Elkins bill, approved Feb. 19, 1903, strengthens the original law in important respects—defining the offense more precisely, making the collection of evidence easier and judicial process swifter and surer.

"Why not, we repeat, exhaust the power of these existing laws before resorting to measures which may not be necessary, and which certainly would entail a train of consequences of which it is impossible to foresee the end? One reason offered is the law's delay. It takes so long to get these cases into courts. But the proposed remedy itself would surely be tied up in the courts three years or so. It involves the greatest constitutional questions, and they would have to be threshed out in the courts before a single step could be taken."

If existing laws are sufficient to remedy and redress the evils of rebates and discriminating differentials, and this seems to be the case, there should be no need of further legislation, despite the fever of popular demand on the subject. But there is another phase of the question, which is of vital importance to the people of the Mississippi Valley, and particularly to the Southern States.

The Picayune has given considerable attention to the active and most interesting competition between the railroads hauling eastward from the grain fields of the West to Atlantic ports, and those carrying southward from those centers to Gulf ports. This competition has gone to the extent of a grain rate war between the eastward and southward railroads, and so signally has the advantage been with the southward roads and the Gulf ports that bitter complaints have been made in New York of the consequent division of trade.

It should be remembered that all the railroads of this country are virtually controlled by Wall Street interests, and these are being loudly voiced in protest and demands that the railroads shall not be used to divert export grain from New York.

Here is where a supreme interest of the Gulf States is involved. Our people are engaged in a headlong movement with those of the Eastern States, to force Congress to enact a measure that will be sure to operate to the extreme injury of Southern trade, while it will play into the hands of the very cities with which we are in most active competition. A bill increasing the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission to make rates has already passed the House of Representatives. Shall we urge the Senate to assist in working the South irreparable damage?—N. O. Picayune.

### READY FOR CONTRACTS.

The Hopkinsville Canning Company Wants to Do Business.

The Hopkinsville Canning Company is now ready and prepared to make season contracts with those desiring to produce corn and tomatoes for the factory. Mr. W. R. Brumfield, the manager, will attend to the matter, or contracts may be had at Judge W. T. Fowler's office. All farmers interested will call at once. There is also \$3,000 of stock yet for sale at \$100 a share.

#### Williamson's Transfer.

We make a specialty of moving iron safes, pianos and household goods, freight of all kinds handled promptly. Storage room for rent, opposite I. C. freight depot. Home phone 1188, Cumberland 68.

V. W. WILLIAMSON.

## DEPRIVED OF OFFICE BY CONSPIRACY.

Peabody Seated on Condition That He Will Resign.

### DISGRACEFUL DOINGS.

Gov. Adams Buncoed Out of Office Though Elected By 11,000 Majority.

Denver, March 16.—James H. Peabody today won his contest for the office of Governor, from which he retired on January 10, after serving a term of two years, but his victory was achieved only after he had given his pledge to resign and surrender the chair to Lieut. Gov. Jesse F. Donald.

The vote in joint convention of the General Assembly by which Gov. Alva Adams was ousted and Gov. J. H. Peabody installed was 51 to 41. Ten of the Republicans voted with the Democratic members for Adams.

A Party Triumph.

It is more in the nature of a party than a personal triumph, for both Peabody and McDonald are Republicans and Adams is a Democrat.

### Corporations Give Promise.

At the conference at which the bargain was made pledges were given to the Independent Republicans by the heads of four large corporations who had been active supporters of Peabody that he would retire after being seated and permit the Lieutenant Governor to take the office of Governor.

Gov. Peabody's resignation, it is said was placed in the hands of W. Boynton, and will be filed with the Secretary of State to-morrow.

### RETURNED A FORTUNE

And Received Reward For His Honesty.

New York, March 16.—A splendid diamond brooch, containing stones weighing twenty-three carats and valued at \$15,000, which was lost last Saturday night by Mrs. T. E. Ward as she was leaving a theater on Thirty-fifth street with her husband, has been returned by the finder who received a reward of \$1,000 in cash. The man's identity was not made known, but he appeared to be in poor circumstances. He returned the jewels in reply to an advertisement.

### NEARLY 500

Hogsheads of the Weed Received Since January.

The inspectors' report for the week shows 145 hogsheads of tobacco received. This brings the receipts for the year up to 495 hogsheads. Sales for the year amount to 284 hogsheads. As will be seen from the above, receipts are increasing, and sales are now expected to materially increase from now on.

### Tobacco Growers.

Having contracted with the Dark Tobacco Planters Association, I desire to communicate with those who have tobacco to prize. Have fitted up a house at No. 62 East 4th St., near Consumers Ice Factory, with all modern improvements, employed competent and experienced men. Give all tobacco sent me my personal attention. Liberal advances on tobacco in store.

T. E. ELGIN, Ky. Cumb. phone 712-1, Hopkinsville, Ky.

### GRACEY FARMER

Dies of An Attack of Typhoid Pneumonia.

Thos. Stewart died at his home near Gracey at three o'clock Thursday afternoon, of typhoid pneumonia. He was 43 years old and leaves a wife and five children. The burial took place yesterday afternoon in the Jones burying ground.

## HOPKINSVILLE'S PROPOSED Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.



Hopkinsville's handsome new Young Men's Christian Association building, now under construction, will be one of the attractive and ornamental buildings of the business section. It will cost, when completed and equipped, about \$20,000. A large picture of the building is to be seen in the window of the Planters Bank & Trust Co.



